## HOUSE BILL 3058 By Windle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 22, relative to health care providers.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-101(a), is amended by inserting the language "and any health care provider", between the language "in this state", and "shall have a lien".

Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-101(a), is further amended by deleting the language "hospital care" and by substituting instead the language "care".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-101(b), is amended by deleting the language "hospital lien" and by substituting instead the language "lien, established by this chapter".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (d):

(d) "Health care provider", as used in this chapter, means a doctor of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, chiropractic, podiatry or optometry, a pharmacist or pharmacy, a home health agency, an entity providing infusion services or an entity providing medical equipment services.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-102 (a) and (e)(1), is amended by deleting the language "the hospital" wherever it appears, and by substituting instead the language "the hospital or health care provider" in each instance.

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SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-102 (a), is amended by deleting the language "hospital care" and by substituting instead the language "care".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-102 (e)(2), is amended by deleting the language "hospital" and by substituting instead the language "hospital or care from a health care provider for such person ceases".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-103(a), is amended by inserting the language "and health care provider" between the language "hospital" and "lien".

Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-103(a), is further amended by deleting the language "of the hospital" and by substituting instead the language "of the hospital or health care provider".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-104(b)(1), is amended by deleting the language "hospital".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-105(a), is amended by inserting the language "the health care provider or" between the language "of this chapter" and "the operator".

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-22-107(a), is amended by inserting the language "or health care provider" immediately after the word "hospital" wherever it appears.

SECTION 11. This Act shall take effect July 1, 1998, the public welfare requiring it.

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